

May 2010 Issue



## CG MOUNTAIN TRAILS PROJECT



Photo by Oscar Perez

# Ready for Fall?

The 2010 events proved to be extremely successful, with over 30 volunteers during the April 10th build and more than 40 during the May 1st date. Together, these teams built over 1,600 feet of the soon to be signature ridge trail.

The Casa Grande Trails Project Steering Committee met on

May 5, 2010 and have determined the once a month schedule for Fall 2010.

Visit [www.cgmountaintrails.org](http://www.cgmountaintrails.org) and register for one or ALL of the events, **October 23, November 13, & December 11, 2010.**



*Workers on May 1, 2010  
close the season of trail building on Casa Grande Mountain*

## Crew Leaders Needed

Have you enjoyed your trail building experience and are looking to get more involved?

Sign up for our Crew Leaders Training and develop the skills to lead your own crew during trail build events.

**Saturday, September 18, 2010  
from 7—9 AM**

Sign up today at

[www.cgmountaintrails.org](http://www.cgmountaintrails.org)

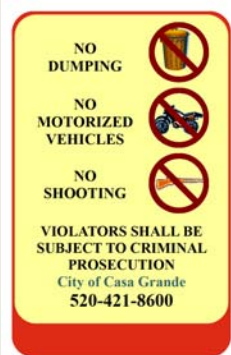


### Southern and Eastern City Boundary Fenced

The City has finished almost 9,000 feet of barb wire surrounding City Property on the Southern portion of Casa Grande Mountain. The fence is meant to minimize illegal dumping, OHV use and wildcat shooting. This investment is just one of the many steps to preserve the precious natural resource that is Casa Grande Mountain. Please call the non-emergency PD number to report violations such as vandalism, dumping, OHV use and shooting or contact Parks Maintenance to report fence maintenance needs.

**CG Police 520-421-8700**

**Parks Maintenance 520-421-8677**



## Clean ups of CG Mountain southern portions successful

Daybreak Rotary Club, along with other volunteers, including Pinal County probationers, have conducted multiple clean-ups of the southern parcels of the mountain. Illegal dumping has been a consistent problem within these

areas and although most dumping occurs on BLM and private parcels, Daybreak Rotary partnered with the City of Casa Grande Sanitation Division to collect over 35,000 pounds of garbage in four clean-ups over Fall and Spring dates.



**Before and After Clean-ups**

Keep an eye on the Casa Grande Dispatch for news of future clean-up dates and come join the preservation efforts!

CITY OF CASA GRANDE

# CASA GRANDE MOUNTAIN TRAILS PROJECT



## City of Casa Grande

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Wow, another great CG Mountain Trails work event behind us, and we are inching closer to completing a safe, sustainable trails system for you and others in our community to enjoy in the future! Thank you so much for all your hard work and willingness to give up the better part of your Saturday to assist with this very important venture.

I'd like to once again thank the Daybreak Rotary Club for the donuts, coffee and juice, plus the awesome lunch! It is the perfect addition to what tends to be a difficult, yet very rewarding task. It is so fun coming down the mountain with tools in hand, knowing there is a great lunch and excellent company waiting for you.

A special thanks to the Crew Leaders who continue to guide us through this process....Charlie Hemlich, Joe Yost, Kent Taylor, Phil Mumme and Matt Wallin. On behalf of the City of Casa Grande, I would be remiss if I didn't recognize my great staff; Rod Wood, Parks Superintendent who was this Event Coordinator and TR person and of course, Anita Avila. Both Rod and Anita do so much work before, during and after the event, and while much of it is "behind-the-scenes", their assistance and participation is critical to our success! In addition to all the special individuals who volunteered to assist, the C.G.U.H.S. Cross Country Team joined us as well as members from our local Southwest Gas company.

Also, thanks to our local Casa Grande Police Department, who had two individuals out there helping to educate individuals regarding our plans, what is allowed and not allowed, etc. It will be a process, but it is the beginning of us taking back the mountain to preserve and protect it for many generations who will come after us.

**Mary Johnson**

Community Services Director

*The long-term goal on Casa Grande Mountain Park includes continuation of design and construction of trails complete with a variety of choices including long or short loop trails, easy to challenging experiences, short and long range views, and views of the city and of the desert.*

*The Casa Grande Mountain Park Trail System promises to be a spectacular local and regional attraction for trail enthusiasts, wildlife watchers, and those looking for a natural respite from the City's growing urban environment.*



**Volunteers of April 10, 2010 event**



## Updates

- City staff has been complying with BLM, Tucson Office, since 2005 in hopes of leasing 80 acres of land in the Southern portion of the mountain to expand non-motorized hiking, biking and equestrian trails through the Recreation and Public Purposes Act.
- Several meetings with private property owners on the Southern and Northern portions of the mountain have promising access possibilities, plus further discussions with the military will be occurring in the near future.
- The CG Mountain Trails Project Steering Committee is in need of additional volunteers, no experience required. If you are looking to get involved contact us at [www.cgmountaintrails.org](http://www.cgmountaintrails.org).

## Sponsors Needed

### Interested in being a sponsor for an event or for the Casa Grande Mountain Park Trails Project?

The Casa Grande Mountain Trails Steering Committee is looking for corporate/organizational sponsors to provide volunteers and/or financial support for our trail events.

#### Sponsors can:

- Provide lunches for an event
- Provide a financial donation
- Provide tools, equipment, signage, etc.
- Provide volunteers to maintain trail and/or fencing
- Purchase giveaway items
- Host a trail building day by bringing your employees together with nature

This is a great opportunity to associate your business/organization with the preservation efforts of the Casa Grande Mountain Trails Steering Committee. A special account has been designated for the Casa Grande Mountain Park Trails Project, and a receipt/letter acknowledging your donation will be sent. Visit [www.cgmountaintrails.org](http://www.cgmountaintrails.org) and contact us via our [Sponsor page](#).

